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FOR SIMONS FROM SCHMIDT

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL/INFORMAL

1. AMBASSADOR AGGREY DEPARTED TUESDAY WITH OUR BEST WISHES
FOR HIS NEW ASSIGNMENT, AFTER A VERY THOROUGH AND USEFUL
SERIES OF CONSULTATIONS. OUR LOSS IS YOUR GAIN.

2. BRINGING THE BIRD. DR. PEARSON OF THE EXPORT/IMPORT OF
ANIMALS DIVISION, DEPT OF AGRICULTURE PHONE 436-8530) TOLD
US HOW SUE POTTER SHOULD PROCEED IN BRINGING GREGORY INTO
THE COUNTRY. SHE SHOULD PLAN TO DO THIS AT JFK IN NEW
YORK, ALLOWING SUFFICIENT TIME. DULLES HAS NO FACILITIES
FOR RECEIVING BIRDS. WHEN SHE DECLARES GREGORY TO CUSTOMS,
SHE WILL RECEIVE A SET OF FORMS, ALL OF WHICH CAN BE COM-
PLETED AT TIME OF ENTRY. THESE WILL INCLUDE DS 17-8, WHICH
REQUIRES A STATEMENT THAT SHE HAS HAD THE PARROT FOR AT
LEAST 90 DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL IN US AND THAT GREGORY HAS
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HAD NO PRIOR CONTACT WITH ANY OTHER SPECIES OF BIRD, IN-
CLUDING POULTRY. SHE MUST ALSO AGREE TO TAKE GREGORY TO A
SPECIFIED ADDRESS IN THE US AND KEEP HIM THERE FOR 30-40
DAYS, UNTIL HE CAN BE INSPECTED AND "RELEASED" BY AN AGRI-
CULTURE INSPECTOR. SHE WILL ALSO NEED THE NAME OF A PRIVATE
VET NEAR HER PLACE OF RESIDENCE; IF SHE DOESN'T HAVE ONE IN
MIND, SHE CAN CHOOSE FROM A LIST COMPILED BY THE PUBLIC

HEALTH SERVICE. IMPORTANT NOTE: THE ABOVE PROCEDURE CAN BE CARRIED OUT ONLY BETWEEN 8 AND 4:30, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. IF SHE ARRIVES AT ANOTHER TIME OR OVER THE WEEK-END, GREGORY WILL BE QUARANTINED UNTIL OPENING OF BUSINESS. (INFORMATION COURTESY OF EE SECRETARY, PEG FULTON.)

3. LETTER FOR CEAUSESCU. BOB KING OF THE NSC JUST TOLD US THAT PRESIDENT CARTER HAS SIGNED A LETTER THAT AMB AGGREY CAN PRESENT TO CEAUSESCU ALONG WITH HIS CREDENTIALS. WE WILL SEND IT IN TOMORROW'S POUCH, WHICH SHOULD REACH YOU MONDAY, IN PLENTY OF TIME. VANCE

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